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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3319
INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG
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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: SRV AMBASSADOR ARRIVES IN BANGKOK

REF: BANGKOK 9187 (NOTAL)

1. THE FIRST SRV AMBASSADOR TO THAIAND, HOANG BAO SON,
ARRIVED IN BANGKOK LATE APR 19. IN A BRIEF ARRIVAL STATE-
MENT HE SAID HE WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CONTRIBUTE TO
BETTER RELATIONS, FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN VIET-
NAM AND THAILAD IN THE INTERESTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES AND
IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS THE TREND OF PEACE
AND GENUINE NEUTRALITY PREVAILING IN SE ASIA. MEDIA PHOTO-
GRAPHED AMBASSADOR SON BEING GREETED BY PRC AMBASSADOR CHAI
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TSE-MIN WITH A BEAR HUG. BOTH MEN SMILED BROADLY. PRESS
DID NOT MENTION THE PRESENCE OF A SOVIET ENVOY AT THE AIR-
PORT.

2. AMBASSADOR SON WAS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE SRV MFA
POLITICAL DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO HIS ASSIGNMENT HERE AND WAS
PREVIOUSLY AMBASSADOR TO HUNGARY. PRESS REPORTED THAT HE

WAS ACTIVE IN YOUTH AFFAIRS AND PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION
PRIOR TO BEING NAMED TO BUDAPEST.

3. THE SRV EMBASSY OPENED OFFICIALLY FEBRUARY 28, 1978.

4. COMMENT: DIPLOMATS IN BANGKOK HAVE FOUND SRV CHARGE,
DO NGOC DUANG, TALKATIVE, BUT DOUR AND DOCTRINAIRE.
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